GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS - Mining Lease for Steatite & Clay over an extent of 49.57 Acres in Sy.No.372 of Madugupalli Village, Putlur Mandal, Anantapur District held by Sri B.Obi Reddy - Declared as lapsed under rule 28 (1) of M.C Rules, 1960 - Orders - Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 176.

<u>Dated: 18.11.2014</u>. Read the following:

1.G.O.Ms.No.718, Ind & Com(M.III) Dept., dt.19.11.1979.

2.From the Director of Mines & Geology, Govt. of A.P., Hyderabad file No.39520/R4-1/2012, Dt.14.03.2013.

3.Govt.Memo No.3964/M.III(1)/2013, Dt:24.04.2013.

ORDER:

Government in the reference 1st read above, granted Mining Lease for Steatite & Clay over an extent of 49.57 Acres in Sy.No.372 of Madugupalli Village, Putlur Mandal, Anantapur District held by Sri B.Obi Reddy and the Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Tadipatri, Anantapur District has executed the lease on 28.12.1999.

- 2. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad in the reference 2nd read above has reported that the lessee did not fulfill the following conditions and submitted proposals for lapsing of the above said mine held by Sri B.Obi Reddy under rule 28(1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, for consideration of the Government:
 - 1. The lessee is not erected the boundary pillars in order according to the demarcation shown in plan annexed to the lease deed.
 - 2. The lessee is not conducting the mining operations systematically as per mining plan.
 - 3. The lessee is not maintaining the registers showing the production and dispatches of the minerals produced from the subject mining lease.
 - 4. The lessee has not established the weighing machine, at the mine site.
 - 5. The lessee has not maintained sufficient security around the old workings, and did not maintain sufficient fences.
 - 6. The lessee has not submitted the monthly and Annual Returns regularly in Form F(8) & Form H-8.
 - 7. The lessee has not submitted Mining scheme for next five years.
 - 8. The lessee has not submitted mine closure plan (both progressive and final mine closure).
 - 9. The lessee has not submitted financial assurance for mine closure.
 - 10. The lessee has not paid the dead rent every year.
 - 11. The lessee has not submitted pollution control board certificate.
 - 12. The lessee is not operating the mine since 03.10.1996.

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- 3. Government after considering the report of the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad, it was proposed to lapse the above mining lease held by Sri B. Obi Reddy and accordingly, a show cause notice was issued in the reference 3rd read above under rule 28 (1) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 as to why the Mining Lease held by him shall not be declared as lapsed, and submit his explanation/representation within 15 days failing which it will be construed that he has no explanation/ representation on the action proposed and further action will be taken on the material available with the Government.
- 4. It should be noted in this regard that mineral wealth is the wealth of the nation and should be put to use for public good. Government gave mining lease so that the lessee company could do mining scientifically within the prescribed time limits and use the mined mineral. Such a mine would generate revenue for the State by way of taxes, employment for the local people and give boost to the overall economy of the region besides industrializing the area. None of these objectives could be achieved due to the abject failure of the lessee company.
- 5. Government after careful consideration of the matter, hereby declare the Mining Lease held by Sri B.Obi Reddy for Steatite & Clay over an extent of 49.57 Acres in Sy.No.372 of Madugupalli Village, Putlur Mandal, Anantapur District as lapsed under Rule 28(1) of M.C Rules,1960, as the lessee has failed to fulfill the lease conditions.
- 6. The Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.S.V.PRASAD PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To Sri B.Obi Reddy, Jangammareddy Peta, yellutla (P), Putlur (M), Ananthapur Dist (BY RPAD).

The Director of Mines & Geology, Govt. of A.P., Hyderabad. (w.e.file) Copy to:

The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology), Kadapa.

The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Tadipatri, Anantapur (dt).

The District Collector, Anantapur District.

The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, Sastry Bhavan, New Delhi-110001.

The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bhavan, Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001.

The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Jarkhand.

The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.

SF/SCs.(C.No.3964/M.III(1)/2013)

//FORWARDED:: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER